

Town of Odessa

**MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR TOWN MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2014 - 7:00 PM
OLD ACADEMY BUILDING
315 MAIN STREET
ODESSA, DE 19730**

Those present at 7:00 pm

Mayor Kathy Harvey
Council Member: John Freeman
Council Member: Lindsay Rice
Council Member: Harvey Smith

Secretary: Barbara Roberts

7 community members, Frederick Null, Marcus & Millichap

I. Pledge of Allegiance & meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

**MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH TO EXCUSE
LIONEL HYNSON FROM THE AUGUST 4TH REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND
COUNCIL**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

III. Appointments
a. Council Seat

**MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO APPOINT
BETTS JACKSON TO TOWN COUNCIL UP TO THE NEXT ELECTION DATE**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

b. Town Engineer – Edward Ide submitted a resume for the position (attached
hereto as attachment A (2 pg. resume)

**MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY LINDSAY RICE TO APPOINT ED IDE
AS TOWN OF ODESSA ENGINEER**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

c. Board of Adjustment

**MOTION BY LINDSAY RICE, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO APPOINT
HARVEY SMITH TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

IV. Approval of Minutes

- a. Regular Mayor & Council Minutes: 7/7/14 (3 page document)

MOTION BY LINDSAY RICE, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO APPROVE THE JULY 7, 2014 MINUTES FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

V. Correspondence

- a. Oceana Drilling Petition

MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY LINDSAY RICE TO TABLE ANY FURTHER ACTION ON THE OCEANA DRILLING PETITION UNTIL FURTHER INFORMATION IS RECEIVED

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

VI. Treasurer's Report

- a. Balance Sheet / Profit & Loss as of 7/31/2014, attached hereto as attachment B & C (2 pg. report).

MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO APPROVE THE TREASURERS REPORT FROM 7/31/2014.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

VII. Commission Reports

- a. Historic – no July meeting
- b. Planning – no July meeting
- c. Trees – no July meeting

VIII. Old Business - None

IX. New Business

- a. M-O-T Big Ball – No representative attended the meeting
- b. Tree Damage – High Street
After a lengthy discussion concerning the options presented by the State Forestry Service, attached hereto as attachment D (2 page letter).

MOTION BY KATHY HARVEY, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH, THAT THE TOWN ENGAGE A CERTIFIED ARBORIST, SPECIFICALLY TO EXAMINE THE TREE LOCATED AT 409 HIGH STREET AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION OF HOW THE TOWN SHOULD PROCEED AND COMPLETE WHATEVER WORK IS RECOMMENDED.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

- c. State Forestry Tree Review
 - The state forestry service conducted a review of the Town owned trees and have pinpointed 4 trees that are dead and need to be removed and several that require trimming. Council will review this report and proceed with the recommendations and maintenance.
 - It was also recommended that the arborist examine the branch overhanging the roof at 402 High Street
- d. Municipal Street Aid, attached hereto as attachment E
 - The town was awarded \$10,305.20 for fiscal year 2015
- e. September Meeting Date
 - Because of the Labor Day Holiday, the meeting date will have to be changed

X. Next Meeting Date and Time

- a. Next meeting of Mayor & Council will be Monday, September 8, 2014
 - Temporary Banners for Historic Odessa Foundation, attached hereto as attachment F (2 pages, letter & notice)

MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY HARVEY SMITH TO ALLOW HISTORIC ODESSA FOUNDATION TO HANG TEMPORARY BANNERS ADVERTISING THEIR BREWFEST ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2014

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

XI. Adjournment

MOTION BY HARVEY SMITH, SECONDED BY JOHN FREEMAN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:26 PM.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS

Minutes Submitted: 7/11/2014
Date

Barbara Roberts
Secretary

Approved: _____
Date